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Wallace, Legislators Pay Tribute To "Pigs" Fliers From Alabama



RECEIVING LATTER - Governor Wallace presented the following letter to the widows of the four Alabama fliers who lost their lives in the Bay of Pigs invasion, October 1961: Mrs. T. W. Ray, Mrs. Leo F. Baker, Governor Wallace, Mrs. Wade Gray and Mrs. John H. Smith.

Governor George Wallace paid tribute Friday to the four Birmingham airmen who gave their lives at the Bay of Pigs in Cuba in April, 1961, in an unsuccessful attempt by Cuban exile groups to overthrow the Castro dictatorship.

At a ceremony in the State Capitol building, attended by members of the immediate families of the fliers, Governor Wallace presented framed copies of a joint resolution of both houses of the Alabama Legislature to the widows of Riley W. Shamburger, Wade Carroll Gray, Leo F. Baker and Thomas W. Ray. Afterwards, Governor Wallace invited members of the families into his office where he told them the people of Alabama and the Nation "would be forever grateful for the sacrifice the four airmen had made in giving their lives in the cause

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Major Rudolph Anderson, Jr., U.S. Air Force, the only American to be killed in action in the Soviet-Cuban crisis of October, 1962, was shot down October 27, while observing Soviet movements in Cuba. The people of his home town of Greenville, S.C., recently dedicated to his memory a memorial in Greenville's Cleveland Park. The dedicatory address was made by Governor Donald B. Russell of South Carolina.

of peace and world freedom." He also said that a bill had been introduced to provide scholarships at any State College or University for the children of the fliers. The bill has already passed the lower house and is now in committee in the State Senate.